CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

- 1. A biologically pure culture of a strain of *Chromobacterium suttsuga* sp. nov.
- 2. The strain of claim1 having the identifying characteristics of NRRL B-30655.
- 3. A strain of *Chromobacterium* which has a 16S rDNA gene sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.
 - 4. An insecticidally-active metabolite obtained from the strain of claim 1.
- 5. A supernatant, filtrate or extract obtained from the strain of claim 1, wherein said supernatant, filtrate or extract has insecticidal activity.
- 6. A composition useful for control of insect pests, which comprises the strain of claim 1.
- 7. A composition useful for control of insect pests, which comprises the metabolite of claim 4.
- 8. A composition useful for control of insect pests, which comprises the supernatant, filtrate or extract of claim 5.
- 9. A method of controlling insects, comprising applying in an area where an insect is to be controlled an effective insect control amount of *Chromobacterium suttsuga* sp. nov., an insecticidally-active metabolite obtained from *Chromobacterium suttsuga* sp. nov. or a supernatant, filtrate or extract obtained from *Chromobacterium suttsuga* sp. nov.
- 10. A method for producing an insecticidally-active metabolite from the strain of claim 1, which comprises:

growing the strain of claim 1 in a culture medium under conditions effective to produce an insecticidally-active metabolite.

11. The method of claim 10 which further includes the step of separating the insecticidally-active metabolite from the culture medium.